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ATTENDED HIS OWN FUNERAL.

McKinney Thinks He Has Lived Long Enough and Declares Himself Dead.

Crowds Attend the "Funeral' and Pray Lustily for His Soul's Safety.

The Old Gentleman Is Profoundly Touched by the Relation of His Own Many Virtues.

SHAKING HANDS WITH THE "CORPSE."

The Only Thing Lacking in This Queen Ohio Ceremony to Make It a Real Funeral Was a Real Deag' Body.

Portsmouth, G., June 21 .- Lorenzo Dow McKinney to-day heard preached his own funeral sermon. On June 17 Mr. McKinney, who is a wealthy farmer of Scotlo County, was eighty years of age and be has said many times during the past ien years that if he ever attained that age he intended to have his funeral sermon preached while he was still among the quick. He would thus be able to keep the preacher from straying into the pleasant fields of post-mortem fiction about his good

Several months ago, when it appeared that Mr. McKinney was going to attain the required age, he engaged the Rev. F. E. Evans, of the Christlan Church, to prepare a sermon. He then made a contract with the Cincinnati Crematory to dispose of his body when dead.

Mr. McKinney is firm in the belief that he cannot live the year out, although now he is the picture of sturdy health. Despite his eighty years, his step is as firm and his eye as keen as the average man of forty Although his singular notion concerning his funeral would seem to indicate an abnormal mental condition, he has given no other sign of eccentricity. He has been a very successful man, and although he has given large portions to each of his seven children, he still retains in his own name a magnificent farm of some five hundred acres, the cultivation of which he personnlly oversees.

It was intensely hot to-day and the road to Fallen Timber, where this queer ceremony took place, is twenty miles long and nearly a foot deep with dust. This did not deter hundreds of people from going. The place selected originally was the little chapel used for ordinary services, but it was early ascertained that this would not hold one-tenth of the multitude that would be present, and the heautiful grove on the side hill across from the church was selected and made ready for the ceremony. CROWDS AT THE "FUNERAL."

Rude board seats were put up, and at the lower edge of the grove a platform was erected. It was from here that the Rev. Mr. Evans preached his queer discourse, while just back of him sat the subject, drinking in every word that fell from the lips of the preacher and evidently profoundly impressed with the solemnity of the oc The crowd present was variously estimated at from five to seven thousand and the road for a mile was so blocked with vehicles that many turned back in despair.

The busy fakir did not fall to take advantage of the occasion, and the space for half a mile in front of the grove was occupied by a busy community of pop-corn, lemonade and hokey-pokey men hawking their wares at the top of their voice.

When the grove was filled and the hour for the beginning of the services, which had been fixed at half-past 10, arrived, Mr. McKinney was conducted to the platform by eight venerable men of about his age, who had known him from youth. These men, who corresponded to the pall bearers of an ordinary funeral, stopped at the platform and Mr. McKinney, preceded by the minister, mounted the rostrum. Then an old man, trembling with age, was called from the congregation to the platform. It was Jared Blakeman, the singing leader of

SERVICES FOR THE "DEAD." Time, which had bowed his form, had not effected a singularly strong and rich baritone voice. He started the old song To W. R. Hearst, the Journal, New York: "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and as the thousands of voices caught the melody it swelled out over the valley and re-echoed back from the neighboring hills with increased volume of sound. Following the song, the minister offered up a fervent prayer for the soul of the man whose funeral was that day celebrated by ceremonles so singular, and then again the woods resounded with the "Sweet By and

led by the same aged chorister. Before the minister began his discourse he referred to the peculiar nature of the whom history recorded as having ordered a like ceremonial. That man was the Emperor Charles V. of Spain, who commanded that high mass be celebrated for the repose of his soul. It was no farce or idle show,

Mr. McKlaney, he said, had lived the alloted time set apart to man, and from now henceforth he merely lived on borrowed time. He was deeply impressed with the thought that his time to die was at hand, and his request that the funeral sermon be preached while he was yet alive was merely a slight forestallment of what was a certain event in the near fu-

The preacher then announced his text, II. Timothy, 40th chapter, and the latter part of the fourth verse: "The time of my departure is at hand."

From this most appropriate text he preached a sermon of rare impressiveness, turning to account the seeming absurdity of the circumstances and transforming the ridiculous almost into the sublime. In the course of his sermon he spoke of Mr. Mc-Kinney as one departed, told of his blameless life, his great generosity, his kindness to

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WHARTON BARKER OUTSPOKEN. WHO IS SELLING

Presidential Candidate of the Eastern Silverites Says They Will Control at Chicago.

To W. R. Hearst, the Journal, N. Y.:

Jenkintown, Pa., June 21.-No gold Democrat can either be nominated or elected. Mr. Whitney speaks for the money cliques, whose aim has been to make the United States subservient to Great Britain, and his advice will neither be asked nor heeded by the bimetallists in the Democratic party, who will control the

I have no doubt bimetallists clearly outnumber single gold standard men in the great central States of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, as well as in the South and West. I believe the Chicago convention, controlled as it will be by patriotic Democrats and bimetallists, resolved on freeing America from subserviency to foreign money cliques and our producing classes from the thraldom of virtual slavery, will arise above partisanship and act, not as a Democratic convention, but as a convention representing the bimetallists of all parties, and that they will nominate a Presidential candidate acceptable to all bimetallists.

The fight is not sectional. It is a struggle between those who mean America shall have financial and industrial, as well as political, independence on the one hand, and those money cliques whose profit is in forcing our country deeper and deeper into debt to Great Britain on the other. It is a fight between Americans and those with alien interests; between justice and injustice, truth and falsehood, and there can be no question of the result, provided the bimetallic Democrats nominate a Presidential candidate whom all bimetallists can support. Gold monometallism means poverty, misery, despair. The restoration of bimetallism by opening our mints to the free coinage of silver can alone bring prosperity. WHARTON BARKER, Candidate for President of the Eastern Silverites.

Peffer Says It Is Not a Democratic Year.

Washington, June 21.

To W. R. Hearst, the Journal, New York:

I think Mr. Whitney wise in declining a nomination. This is not a Democratic year. If all friends of silver unite in the campaign they can name the next President. As to the success of the silver cause ruining the country, that is nonsense. We are all Americans. W. A. PEFFER, Senator from Kansas.

Not Whitney's Fight Says Senator Jones.

To W. R. Hearst, the Journal:

In view of Mr. Whitney's figures it was to be expected that he would make a statement. He wants the public to know in advance that his proposed visit to Chicago is hopeless. I have the greatest respect for Mr. Whitney, and I regret he has been forced into his present position. It was not his fight

JOHN P. JONES, Senator from Nevada.

Lauterbach Calls Whitney a Republican.

To W. R. Hearst, the Journal:

Having heard of the statement of the views of ex-Secretary of the Navy William C. Whitney, I extend him my congratulations because he is a good Republican. E. C. LAUTERBACH,

Chairman Republican County Committee.

Washington Hesing Agrees with Whitney.

Chicago, June 21. To W. R. Hearst, the Journal, New York:

I never considered Mr. Whitney was in the race, having been privately informed that he never for a minute considered the idea of allowing his name to go before the convention, and as already very nearly a majority of all the delegates have been instructed for free silver, it would be useless to urge him now.

What he says about the adoption of a free coinage plank, its suicidal effect upon the party and and its ruin to the country, exactly meets my views. I regret that the Democratic party has not foresight enough to nominate Mr. Whitney on a sound money platform, for I believe that Mr. Whitney, a sound money platform and revenue reform would beat McKinley, who is not sound on the money question, and high protection. WASHINGTON HESING,

Democratic Leader in Illinois.

Stewart Finds Cause to Blame Cleveland.

The hoodoo which President Cleveland has held over the American peo-

ple has been broken. It is represented that Mr. Cleveland is very angry | Flattau, "and I'm thinking," he added, because the people have discovered the delusion. There is no excuse for his anger. He made a great mistake in sending his Cabinet to Kentucky, Georgia, Alabama and Nebraska to explain his hoodoo game, because he ought to have known that every explanation would involve further explanations, and that the more explanations that were made the greater the dan-

The wise thing for him to have done was to have continued his practice of using no phrase which could be understood. He should have adhered to the sonorous expressions of "sound money," "safe currency," "unselfish patriotism," and "loyalty to the great principles of the Democratic party." If he had done that, and allowed his friends in Wall Street to furnish the reasons, which they are abundantly able to do, in these times of want, distress and misery, things might have been different.

But the most cruel and absurd part of the whole proceeding was his call on Whitney-"Help me, Cassius, or I sink!" The use of Mr. Whitney to rescue the great hoodoo game after it had been exposed by Carlisle and little Eckels was asking too much on the ground of either patriotism or friendship. Mr. Whitney does well to define his position in the matter and relieve himself of any part of the odium of the failure which Cleveland's in- gown of up-to-date fashion and rare elediscretion has already made inevitable.

After two-thirds of the delegates to the Chicago Convention had been elected as friends of silver, the call on Mr. Whitney by the Executive would elected as friends of silver, the call on Mr. Whitney by the Executive would naturally suggest that it was thought that Mr. Whitney would be willing to lead the foriorn hope by the use of unlimited corruption funds. Mr. Whitney has done himself great honor in declaring in advance that the majority of the Chicago Convention would necessarily nominate a Western silver man and adopt a silver platform.

We are rejoiced that Mr. Whitney has defined the character of his mission and relieved himself of the odium of the suspicion that he could be called upon at the eleventh hour to do by corruption what the Administration had falled to accomplish with all the power and patronage of the Government.

ernment.

We regret that Mr. Whitney thinks that free coinage would destroy the Democratic party. The indiscriminate coinage of the two metals was a cardinal Democratic principle from the foundation of the Government until the first election of Mr. Cleveland, who was elevated to power in 1884 on a free coinage platform.

WILLIAM M. STEWAJ T, Senator from Nr ada.

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Toys of Mrs. William's Grandchildren in a Public Mart.

Also Splendid Gowns Once Worn by Mrs. Drayton, Their Mother.

Even a Lace-Trimmed Cradle in Which One of the Children Was Rocked.

MANUSCRIPT OF J. COLEMAN DRAYTONS.

Goods Were Sent to the Auction Room from a Storage Warehouse and Mrs. Drayton Declares That She Did Not Send Them.

Auctioneers become so used to the mysterious that they regard almost everything as commonplace, but still Flattau, the pro-prietor of the salesroom at University place and Thirtenth street, is curious to know how it happened that three van loads of the furniture and finery of the J. Coleman Draytons were left at his place to be sold under the hammer to-morrow.

The goods were brought without explanation and with simply an order to sell them from the Manhattan Storage Warehouse. The auctioneer did not know to whom they belonged until he discovered the name of Drayton on the tags.

Then he found, to his amazement, that it was to be his one privilege to offer to the great multitude, the prying people who go to auction rooms to satisfy curiosity, the bargain hunters and the second-hand dealers the toys of the juvenile Draytons; a cradle in which an Astor grandchild was rocked, a rich gown worn by a daugh ter of the house of wealth, a college oration by the man who would have plugged Hallett Alsop Borrowe with builets, and furniture, trinkets and finery of the couple so much talked of that all the world knows the name, NO WONDER HE WAS AMAZED.

It is not surprising that the nuctioneer could scarcely believe the evidence of his senses. The goods that had been brought to him to dispose of were clearly belongings of the Drayton family, but how did hey happen to be offered for sale%

He speculated hard upon it, and many other people will be apt to do the same thing. It might be thought that Mrs. Drayton had decided to put out of memory all that had connected her with the past, but still it was hard to believe that she would cause the toys of her children to would cause the toys of her children to be sold. He was quite right there. Mrs. Drayton would not sell those things. She is in great distress of mind over the publicity that has been given to the mere theory that she could do such a thing.

MRS. DRAYTON DID NOT SEND THEM.

She said last evening: "It is quite untrue that I have sent any of my effects or any f my children's to the auction rooms to be sold. Neither do I intend to sell my house. hold furniture. When Mr. Drayton left the house he took some things with him. I known nothing about the proposed sale. As for my wedding gown being sold in such a nanner-it is absurd."

This denial on the part of Mrs. Drayton adds, of course, to the mystery of the sa and the ali-important question is who or dered the goods sold, and why. Neither Mr. or Mrs. Drayton is in need of the comparatively small sum which will be reallzed from the sale.

There is the possibility of course that a nistake has been made, that the furniture storage charges had inadvertently no been paid; that the goods had been sent in place of some others or that they had een stolen by some careless thief who argot to take off the tags.

Then again, it is possible that they may have been in the care of some servant of Mr. Drayton's who held the storage reelpts and who was pressed for money. At all events the things will be sold to forrow by the nuctioneer unless the owner comes after them, and pays charges. The inctioneer says this and he expects that the sale will be nearly as great an attraction as a political convention. goods will go to whoever bids highest, whether it be boarding house keepers, second hand dealers or hunters of fashionable

"The sale is to be without reserve," said that maybe the name will boom the price

A WONDERFUL GOWN. As a lot by itself is a trunk of French make, and with steamer tags on it, which show it has crossed the ocean at least half a dozen times. The first thing under the d is a rich satin gown. It is trimmed with the finest of lace, with amber colored relyet and has the long train of a wedding gown. An expert would probably find It was made by Worth, but rich as it was it was worn but a few times, perhaps only nce. This theory is borne out by the fact that of the throat there is a cluster of trtificial orange blossoms left as they were when the dress was last worn. creased from being long in the trunk, but has not ben injured in anyway, and should fall in the hands of some handy housewife it will be easily made over into a

Other dresses, old fashloned in make, of course, but expensive in stuff and trimnings, are included in the trunk, and with them are lace-trimmed nightgowns, under-wear covered with embroidery, silk hosiery and many other accessories of a fine lady's tollet. They will all be sold in one lot with the trunk, and the buyer that everything is genuinely good stuff, for on nearly all the articles are marked the initials "C. A. D."-Charlotte Astor Drayton The same initials are on the trunk, and also on another, likewise filled with

LOT OF CHILDREN'S TOYS. Then there will be a pathetic incident in the sale of the toys. They were the play-

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WHY WHITNEY FIGHTS. LOVERS STRUCK ASTOR RELICS? Reiterates That He Is Not a Candidate and Says the Adoption of a Silver Plank Would Plunge

the Country Into Ruin.

Sir-I find it necessary to make a public statement embodying my views of the situation, to correct misconceptions and save the time now occupied in answering questions:

Far too great importance has been attached to my decision to go to the Chicago Convention.

I have been practically out of politics for four years, and there are now many Eastern Democrats who can do much more than I can for the party. I shall not assume any position of leadership. My decision to stay was simply based on the duty of every person who believes in the party for its principles to stand by and lend his aid and take his chances when a great crisis is upon it.

There can be no question but that a great crisis is upon the Democratic party. Fundamental differences of principle exist in-side the party, marked almost by sectional lines.

The great question to my mind is whether the party meets in convention now, as in 1860, with issues and differences that are for the moment irreconcilable. For the last fifteen years leaders of public opinion in the South and West have been advocating as the great remedy for existing ills the free coinage of silver at 16 to 1, with or without the co-operation of other nations.

It has come to be believed in, there, quite generally and conscientiously. A large majority of the delegates to the coming Democratic Convention have been elected by the people for the purpose of incorporating that doctrine into the platform of the Democratic party.

Threatened Disruption of the Party. Our people, on the other hand, entirely disagree with these views, and believe almost universally that it will bring general ruin to the business and prosperity of the country. It is deemed a new doctrine when proposed to be incorporated into the platform of the national Democracy. It is true that in no previous platform of the party can it specifically be found. Consequently no party obligations heretofore assumed oblige them to subscribe to it.

Under these circumstances, if the results of the Democratic Convention should be to establish as the issue of this campaign the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, independent of other nations, in the intensity of feeling likely to arise, it is to be seriously apprehended that a disruption of the Democratic party might occur.

Certainly no substantial following could be secured for the doctrine among Eastern Democrats. They might not vote the Republican ticket for other reasons (believing that the Republican party stands for other issues that are detrimental to the country), but the Democrats in the East would not, in my opinion, vote for it.

Silver's Value Has Declined. This movement for free coinage purports to have for its object the establishment and maintenance of gold and silver as the money of the country, upon equal terms with each other, and at a parity of purchasing power. If by the proposed measure that object could be secured, there would be no substantial disagreement in the party.

Every national Democratic platform that has heretofore spoken upon the subject has declared for both gold and silver money. It is our traditional policy. But the maintenance of the double standard at the present time is not a question of desire, it The commercial value of silver has declined greatly in the mar-

kets of the world. Whatever the causes are and whoever is to blame, the fact is that silver has declined, and free coinage now at 16 to 1 is the same as our

offering for all the silver in the world about twice what it is selling for in the market. International exchanges have to be paid in gold. and it would seem plain that if we, under these conditions, open our mints to the free coinage of silver and gold at a ratio of comparative value which is largely at variance with the commercial value of the two metals, we must take the entire silver surplus ourselves, and alone maintain its parity with gold, or else we shall go to a silver basis.

Silver Monometallism Not Democracy. France, in 1873, closed her mints against silver and abandoned this experiment, deeming herself unequal to the task alone, and at that time it was much less difficult, for silver was then at par with gold at the ratio in use, and even England's mints in India were open to the free coinage of silver. If the experiment of maintaining the parity of the two metals at a coinage standard was difficult then, it would seem to be positively hopeless now, without international agreement, Germany, France, Belgium, Italy and Austria believe in a double standard and desire to establish it but no one, two or three of them deem themselves able to maintain the double standard, even with the co-operation of the United States.

If the result of the measures proposed would be to carry us to a silver basis, it is not felt here that such a proposal would be In line with the principles of the Democratic party.

It is not the joint standard with the purchasing power of the dollars at parity with each other, but it is changing from one standard to another, and that change being to a depreciated coin.

And it is also felt, aside from the absence of any democratic principle to sustain it, that you cannot have such a disturbance of values as would come from changing from a gold to a silver basis, without such a shock to confidence, the hoarding of gold and contraction of your available circulating medium, as would bring, in the opinion of our people, the worst panic and distress we have ever seen in this country. The creditor classes are prepared for it. The obligations, mortgages, railroad and otherwise, are quite generally payable in gold. Debts will still have to be paid in gold, but wages in silver the sufferers, as usual, being the poorer classes.

Comes at an Inopportune Time. This movement, purporting to be in the interest of the joint standard, comes at a most inopportune time, in my opinion.

There has never been a time, when the prospects of international action favorable to the joint standard were at all as promising as at the present moment. But an Ill-advised, unsuccessful attempt here, would discredit the cause the world over.

What is the situation as regards this? From the discussion of the last twenty years, it has come to pass, that among the persons in Europe, who are trained, recognized scientists upon monetary and economic questions, scarcely one is not at the present moment advocating the desirability of the joint standard as the real solution of the monetary difficulties of the world. This includes every professor engaged in teaching or lecturing on these subjects in the universities of Great Britain.

They are agreed upon the desirability of it, and that it is entirely practicable, if established and maintained by agreement of the principal commercial nations.

It would be expected that with such a general consensus of scientific opinion as is to be found abroad upon this subject, it would come rapidly to be the generally received opinion of the nations to be affected by a wise settlement of the problem.

Such is the case. Of the Continental nations, Germany was the one that in 1892 practically broke up the conference which met at the suggestion of the United States.

She instructed her delegates to meet and talk, but to state to the conference that she would not change her imperial standard. As her standard was gold, that announcement ended all possibility of any practical result from that conference. Since that time and within the last year her legislative assemblies have specifically, by vote of instruction to her ministers, changed her attitude upon that point. So that the specific objection of Germany encountered by the conference of 1892 has been since considered and withdrawn.

At the present moment Germany, France, Italy, Austria, Holland, Belgium and the United States wish to co-operate for the establishment and maintenance of the joint standard by international agreement and (A MOST IMPORTANT CIRCUMSTANCE) Great Britain has recently, within three months ,in fact, made a most important concession. She has said: "We will do for you as much as

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The Man Is Killed Instantly and His Sweetheart Stunned.

Only Yesterday They Had "Made Up" a Quarrel and Were Very Happy.

Went to Van Cortlandt Park, and He Was Helping Her from a W II When Death Came.

POLICEMAN BOLTE FINDS THE PAIR.

With the Dead Man in the Bottom of His Buggy and the Unconscious Girl on the Seat at His Side He Drives to the Nearest Station.

Charles Valenti, of No. 66 Wooster street, a foreman in the Street Cleaning Department, became engaged eighteen months ago to Miss Louisa Costella, of No. 312 East Twentieth stret, a pretty girl in the em-ploy of a cigar company at Twenty-ninth street and Third avenue. Shortly afterward they had a lovers' quarel, and although they recognized each other when they met in the street or at church, they did not become reconciled until yesterday morning, when their friends, after mass was ever at St. Mary Magdalen's Roman Carbelle, Church, in Proceedings, and Carbelle, Church, in Proceedings, and Carbelle, Church, in Proceedings of the Church, in the control of the con Catholic Church, in East Seventeenth street, prevailed upon them to forgive one

another and renew the engagement.

The young couple were in the happiest, mood at the glad ending of their differences, and Valenti proposed in honor of the event that they spend the day together and take an excursion of some sort. Miss Costella was delighted, and hurried home to get ready for the outing. Within an hour she and her lover were on their way up town, carrying with them a basket con-

taining their lunch.
CHOSE VAN CORTLANDT PARK FOR THE OUTING.

They took a train at the Grand Central Depot and alighted at Van Cortland: Park station. Then they looked arms and sauntered to the woods, through which they roamed for several hours, until at length they came to Dash's orchard, on Tibbett's Brook lane, near Van Cortiandt avenu was now long past noon, and as to making had not interfered with fites, Valenti's suggestion that the their lunch there proved agreeable to his

sweetheart. The spot was an ideal one for an out-door Just inside the stone wall which runs along the lane stands an immense wide-spreading cherry tree. Its shade was very welcome to the lovers, so they spread their lunch on the grass beneath it and had a jolly, light-hearted time of it.

The gathering storm at last alarmed them, and they started down the lane in the hope, apparently, of reaching the depot or some hospitable farmhouse before the rain descended. Their start, however, was made too late, and they had gone only a short distance when the rain deluge broke cherry tree. It offered the best shelter of anything in sight from the descending orrent. As they ran toward the tree Valenti gallantly removed his cont and threw it over his sweetheart's head to protect her

DIED WITH A RISS ON HIS LIPS. The stone wall is three feet high and in four feet from the readway. The wall is made up of rough stones, uncemented. As they reached the wall, Valenti, a strapping athletic fellow, lifted the girl in his arms with the utmost ease, and placed her upon the wall top. Then he himself climbed up

house, when he heard the row moments as unable to locate it, but at length reached the spot where the bodies lay. As he neared her he heard Miss Costella feebly cry for help and her entreaties to her lover to speak to hor.

How long she had been beside his dead body before she recovered consciousness she could not say. Even when found by Patrolman Bolte she was still in a dazed condition.

RODE WITH HER LOVER'S BODY. Bolte made a hasty examination of Valenti's body and convinced himself the man

paralysis was less maked, but the s